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66 W. 45th St.
New York.
29 April '82.

Prof. Asa Gray

Dr. Geo. Englemann,

My dear Sir

I am desirous of obtaining the botanical and popular names of the variety of cactus, I have endeavored to figure above. I do not find it in any books at my command. If it is not asking too much will you kindly send it to me? In western Texas it is very common among the rocks on the divides never in my observation descending into the valleys. It flowers about a month later than the so-called prickly-pear, beginning to bloom in June. The flowers are from two to three inches in diameter and a rich crimson in color. In appear-

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once it is like a group of large cucumbers on end. The cucumbers are from 6 to 10 inches long and are covered with spines two inches in length arranged in groups along the ribs which traverse the cucumber from end to end.

Very Respectfully
Yr obdt Servt
E. C. Reynolds.

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I cannot help you to the name readily. But—

Dr. Geo. Engelmann, St. Louis Missouri will do it readily
I return your letter with sketch.
to save you trouble.

A Gray